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Montreal's Orthodox Rabbis in the Early Twentieth Century and the Community They Built

A Lecture Meeting with Professor Ira Robinson

The large scale wave of emigration, which saw millions of Eastern European Jews move from their homelands to Western Europe, North and South America, and elsewhere between the 1870s and the 1920s, also witnessed the migration to all these places of thousands of Eastern European Orthodox rabbis. These rabbis, attempting to find their way amid the chaotic conditions of newly formed immigrant communities, faced the daunting task of preserving and perpetuating the traditions and norms of Eastern European Orthodox Judaism while discovering new roles for themselves.

This lecture will examine, in general, the ways in which the Eastern European rabbinate in Montreal developed in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. It will focus on the careers and writings of such rabbis as Hirsch Cohen, Simon Glazer, Yudel Rosenberg, and Sheea Herschorn.

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Monday, October 20, 2003, 7:30 pm SHARP!

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